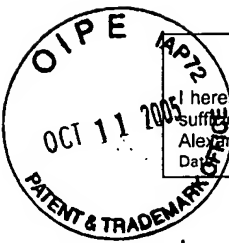


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In re Appln. of: Thomas A. Osborne et al.
 Appln. No.: 10/642,513
 Filed: August 15, 2003
 For: Stent and Method of Forming a Stent with Integral Barbs
 Attorney Docket No: 12730-11

Examiner: William H. Matthews
 Art Unit: 3738

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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Statement of the Substance of the Interview
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(_____).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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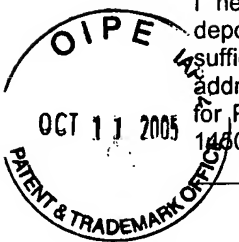
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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Dear Sir:

On August 30, 2005, the undersigned attorney for the Applicants contacted Examiner Matthews regarding a typographical error in the Response to Restriction/Election Requirement which was mailed on August 29, 2005, but not yet received at the time of the Interview. The undersigned attorney for the Applicants

stated that in the Response, election of Group I was made but discussion of the elected claims is drawn to Group II claims. Therefore, Group II is the correct election. Agreement was reached whereby the Examiner will provide an action on the merits related to Group II.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Samuel E. Shehadeh', written over a horizontal line.

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